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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

In the early days of the internet I chose a small, local ISP over one of the "Big Three". My choice has been well justified over the years as many other people I know have had serious complaints about the service their ISPs provide, while I have had none.

The competition smaller ISPs provide to the big players is one of the only things keeping the big players even marginally honest. If the FCC strangles broadband competition, then we will all be at the mercy of a few monopolies whose bottom line is only that: the bottom line.

Please support broadband competition!

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